

Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

## MARYLAND STATE PARK WEEK APRIL 10 - 16, 2021

WHEREAS, There are 550,000 acres of state-owned public lands in Maryland, including state forests, wildlife management areas and 75 state parks, featuring more than 900 miles of trails for outdoor recreational

activities; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Department of Natural Resources' Maryland Park Service manages our state's natural,

cultural, historical and recreational resources to provide for wise stewardship and enjoyment by citizens

and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, Maryland State Parks provide safe outdoor recreation, a trail system that is second-to-none and unique

experiences highlighting the state's history and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Maryland State Parks have increased engagement with nature and outdoor recreation through

innovative programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim APRIL 10 - 16, 2021 as MARYLAND STATE PARK WEEK in Maryland, and encourage all citizens to spend time in Maryland State Parks to enjoy the world-class outdoor experiences and diverse landscapes which can be safely enjoyed year-round.

